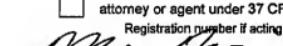


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<b>PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)</b> FY 2008 (Fee pursuant to the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2005 (H.R. 4618).)		Docket Number (Optional) <b>2593-0165PUS1</b>
Application Number	10/577,830-Conf. #6227	Filed January 24, 2007
For SILICA-CONTAINING CONJUGATED DIENE BASED RUBBER COMPOSITION AND MOLDING		
Art Unit	1709	Examiner A. C. Scott
This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a reply in the above identified application.		
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